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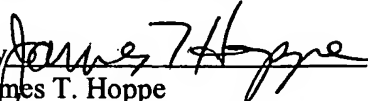
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Applicant is not in possession of an English translation of FR 2057816A. The International Search Report identified example 1B of this reference as being particularly relevant to Claims 18 and 19.

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